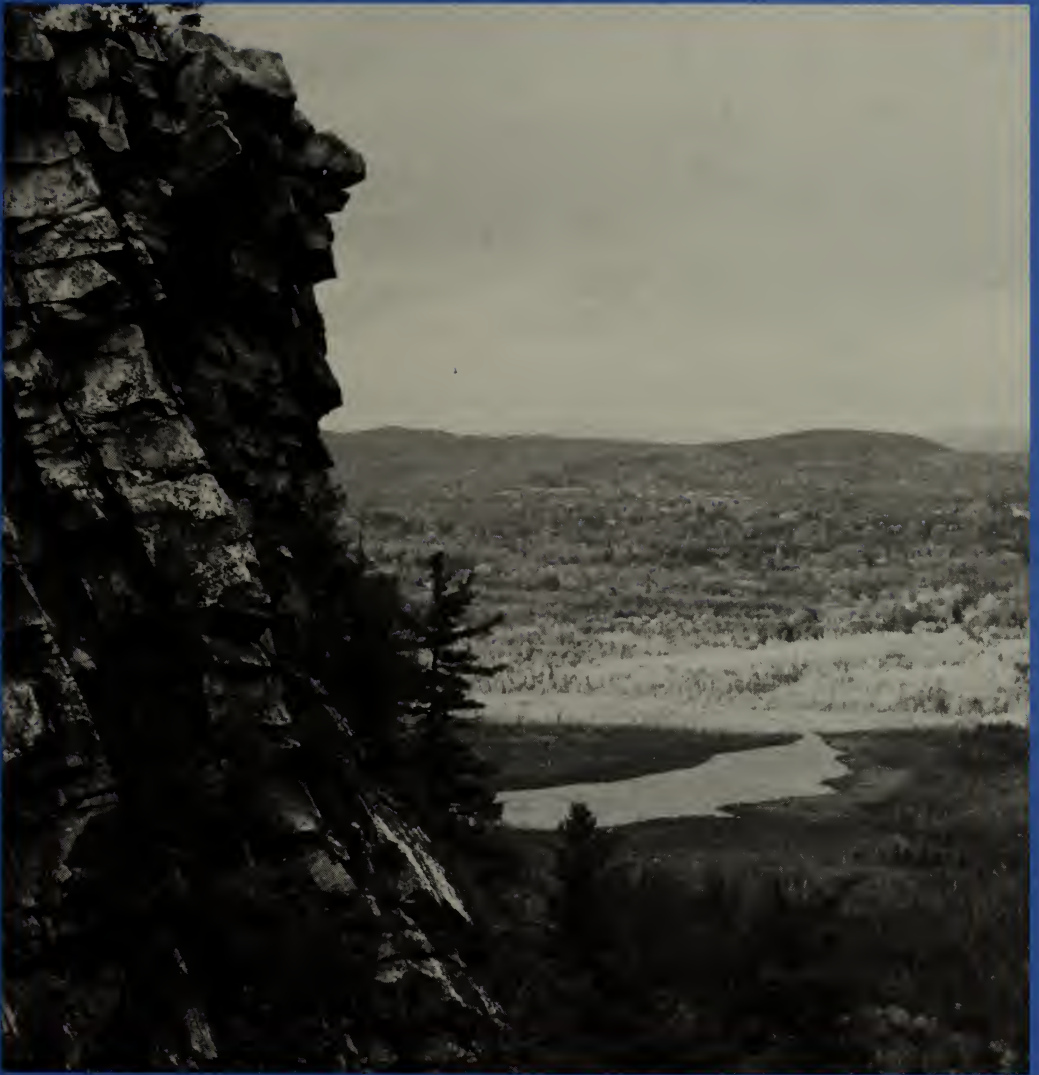


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The gentle hills and  
valleys of south  
Berkshire County  
stretch northward from  
Monument Mountain  
Reservation given in  
1899 by Miss Helen C.  
Butler. The property  
was enlarged in 1980  
with a gift from Miss  
Butler's great-nephew,  
John Butler Swann.*

# Report of Activities, 1980

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The year was 1891. Benjamin Harrison was President of the United States. The Sherman Anti-Trust Act, just approved by Congress, outlawed actions "in restraint of trade." The Battle of Wounded Knee had ended and some 900,000 acres of Indian territory in Oklahoma were opened for settlement. Frances Hodgson Burnett's *Little Lord Fauntleroy* and Edward Bellamy's *Looking Backward* were best sellers, and John Singer Sargent was the most successful portrait painter of the time.

## **Chapter 352, Acts of 1891**

And on May 21, in his office at Beacon Hill, Massachusetts, Governor William Eustis Russell signed Chapter 352 of the Acts of 1891, legislation which established an organization with a unique purpose to benefit mankind.

It was called The Trustees of Reservations (initially The Trustees of Public Reservations) and it was founded to preserve "scenes and sites which possess either uncommon beauty or historic interest for the use and enjoyment of the public, just as the Public Library holds books and the Art Museum pictures." That was 90 years ago.

Today, as The Trustees of Reservations celebrates nine decades of accomplishment, it continues the same spirit of concern for the need to protect the scenic beauty of the landscape and its special places of natural, cultural and scientific value.

## **67 Properties; 15,699 Acres**

The Trustees of Reservations acquired its first property, Virginia Wood (now a part of the Metropolitan District Commission's Middlesex Fells Reservation), in 1891. In 90 years it has collected and preserved 67 properties from Berkshire County to Cape Cod, Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket. They include some of the most spectacular scenery in the Commonwealth as well as many of its most important historic sites.

They vary in size from 3,000 acres (Notchview Reservation, Windsor) to one quarter of an acre (Redemption Rock, Princeton) and total some 15,699 acres.

The Trustees also holds 55 conservation restrictions or easements protecting an additional 4,920 acres including Nashawena Island, Gosnold (1,900 acres), Seven Gates Farm, Chilmark and West Tisbury (1,100 acres) and Hunnewell Pinetum, Wellesley (5 acres), an extraordinary collection of evergreens.

Thus, in all, today The Trustees of Reservations preserves a total of 20,528 acres throughout the Commonwealth. According to statistics produced by the Department of Environmental Management, The Trustees remains the largest private owner of conservation land in Massachusetts.



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**Protecting Existing Properties**

In 1980, gifts and purchases of land continued a program of highest priority: protecting those properties The Trustees owns already. This means acquiring both sides of a stream where only one is owned now (Chapelbrook Reservation, Ashfield); purchasing an in-holding of land which could be developed, to protect the integrity of a reservation as a whole (Mashpee River, Mashpee); or extending ownership to round out a boundary so that logical and desirable features are included as a part of a reservation (Rocky Woods, Medfield). As a part of this program The Trustees acquired eight parcels of land totaling 137.75 acres.

**Northeast Management Region**

**1 Appleton Farms Grass Rides, Hamilton; 17.32 acres;** gift of Mrs. Francis R. Appleton, Jr. Wooded upland and swamp with walking and cross-country ski trails meeting at a round point marked with a monument, a pinnacle from Gore Hall, former library at Harvard University; part of a continuing program which calls for the acquisition of some 262 acres of historic Appleton Farms.

**2 Salt marsh and upland, Ipswich; 19.3 acres;** gift of Mr. and Mrs. George R. Desrochers. A vital parcel of land which protects salt marsh southwest of Greenwood Farm. It will become a part of Greenwood Farm Reservation.

**3 Castle Neck River, Ipswich;** a total of 40 acres of salt marsh; gift of Charles W. Eliot, II (20 acres) and Dr. Robert L. Goodale (20 acres). Part of a continuing program to preserve the environmental qualities of Castle Neck River, a tidal estuary which divides Castle Neck (Richard T. Crane, Jr. Memorial Reservation) and Round Island, Long Island and Hog Island (Cornelius and Miné S. Crane Wildlife Refuge).

**4 Stevens-Coolidge Place, North Andover; 2.3 acres;** field and woodland. An in-holding at Wood Lane bordered on three sides by the Stevens-Coolidge Place. Purchased by The Trustees of Reservations for \$65,000 to prevent the construction of up to three, two-family dwellings. Contributions are needed to defray this expense.

**Southeast Management Region**

**1 Rocky Woods Reservation, Medfield; 31.7 acres;** gift of Robert E. Linnell. Woodland and swamp, the land includes a small brook. With frontage on Hartford Street, it extends the boundary of Rocky Woods Reservation to the Dover town line.

**2 Whitney & Thayer Woods, Cohasset; 4.6 acres.** Woodland purchased by The Trustees of Reservations for \$3,200 as part of a program to join the two major portions of Whitney Woods Reservation. Funds are needed to defray the cost.

**Western Management Region**

**1 Monument Mountain, Stockbridge; 17.43 acres;** gift of John Butler Swann in exchange for 3.5 acres. Mr. Swann is the great nephew of Miss Helen C. Butler who gave Monument Mountain to The Trustees of Reservations in 1899. The new parcel extends the reservation to include a waterfall and a portion of a brook.

**Nantucket Management Region**

**1 Coskata-Coatue Wildlife Refuge, Nantucket;** additional one quarter undivided interest in some 153 acres including the Galls, the barrier beach which joins Great Point and Coskata, and a portion of Coskata; gift of Professor and Mrs. Christoph K. Lohmann.

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**Martha's Vineyard  
Management Region**

**1 Menemsha Hills Reservation, Chilmark;** 8.6 acres; gift of Mrs. David J. Epstein. Upland with a magnificent view of Vineyard Sound and the Elizabeth Islands. The parcel extends protection of Menemsha Hills' dramatic marine escarpment to the east.

**2 Cape Poge Wildlife Refuge, Chappaquiddick;** additional undivided interest in 8.7 acres; gift of Dr. Joseph E. Murray. Upland and beach, including frontage on Nantucket Sound.

**Four Conservation  
Restrictions**

In 1980, The Trustees of Reservations also received as gifts four conservation restrictions.

**Southeast  
Management Region**

**1 Holly Hill Farm, Cohasset;** 120 acres; gift of Richardson White and Mr. White's sister, Ellen P. Cabot. Wooded land with fields, brooks and a small pond with a wide variety of land forms including three giant ledges as well as wonderful views. The farm raises hay and includes an active sawmill. Five generations of the White family have operated the farm. Mr. White is also well-known as a sculptor. His specialty is horses.

**2 The Hollow, Norwell;** 90 acres; gift of Miss Mildred Hastings. The property includes frontage on the North River and an island in the marsh as well as wooded upland, a small pond and brook. A portion of the farm is still cultivated. Part of a continuing program to preserve the scenic beauty and historic values of the North River.

**3 Parkinson Property, Medfield;** 82.6 acres; gift of Mrs. Ellen T. Parkinson. Wooded upland and field off Hartford Street west of Rocky Woods and at the entrance to the center of the Town of Medfield. Pine and oak woodland and field with two brooks and a small pond.

**Northeast  
Management Region**

**1 Halibut Point, Rockport;** 12.7 acres; gift of Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Hooper. The land borders Halibut Point Reservation to the east and includes sizable frontage on Hoop Pole Cove.

The Trustees of Reservations is immensely grateful, as always, to those who gave land and conservation restrictions as well as to those whose gifts of funds made the purchase of land possible. Their generosity has enabled the organization to significantly extend its protection of existing properties as well as to preserve new and exciting features of the landscape.

**A Major Preservation  
Achievement**

The program to acquire in-holdings to protect existing properties will continue as one of the highest priorities for action. But a critical parcel of land bordering a reservation need not only be acquired by The Trustees of Reservations to assure its protection. In early 1981, thanks to nearly 10 years of efforts by The Trustees, by the Town of Rockport and by local State Representatives, the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Management was able to purchase some 52 acres at Halibut Point bordering Halibut Point Reservation to the west. The area includes a magnificent headland, an abandoned granite quarry and superb views of Ipswich Bay and its shoreline to the east as far as Mount Agamenticus in Maine. Threats of development had existed for many years.

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**Master Plan for  
Halibut Point**

The Trustees has also been engaged by the Department of Environmental Management to produce a Master Plan for the management and continuing protection of its new property and neighboring Halibut Point Reservation. Funding for this project will come from a Federal grant program coordinated by the Appalachian Mountain Club and designed to enable private sector organizations to assist public resource agencies.

**Mashpee River  
In-holding**

At Mashpee, purchase of some 15 acres of land for \$45,000 was authorized to acquire an in-holding at Mashpee River Reservation. A subdivision plan for the property showed 33 building lots. Plans call for The Trustees' affiliate, the Massachusetts Farm & Conservation Lands Trust, to take title to the land, transferring frontage on the river, some 1,300 feet, to The Trustees of Reservations and selling the remainder in three building lots to recover a portion of the cost.

**Wasque — Lot C**

At Wasque, after detailed discussion with members of the Local Committee, it was decided not to exercise The Trustees of Reservations' right of first refusal in connection with the sale of Lot C, some 2.3 acres of land bordering the Reservation and overlooking Katama Bay. An agreement to purchase the property was signed by Dr. Jerry Wacks and Dr. Margaret Wacks for a price of \$90,000. In return for not exercising its right of first refusal, agreement was reached which will govern the siting and general architectural characteristics of any dwelling constructed.

**Chesterfield Gorge**

The Trustees of Reservations received a check from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for \$1,205.76 in payment for the eminent domain taking of .46 acres of land along Route 143, West Chesterfield, a portion of Chesterfield Gorge Reservation north of the Gorge itself. The taking was a part of a project to widen and reduce the grade of the road, long a hazard for community residents in winter. The funds will start an endowment for Chesterfield Gorge.

**New Conservation  
Easement Law**

New legislation was signed by President Carter in December, 1980, which, among other provisions, eliminated the so-called "Sunset Date" of June, 1981, after which gifts of conservation restrictions or easements would no longer have been deductible for income and estate tax purposes. The new law, however, creates new conditions related to the deductibility of easements which are scheduled to be clarified by the Internal Revenue Service. The Trustees' conservation restriction program has paused to await clarification of the conditions.

**Cooperative Effort  
in Preservation**

Another effort to protect an existing property took place at the William Cullen Bryant Homestead in Cummington. The possible sale of some 120 acres of neighboring land not only threatened the integrity of the Homestead itself, but would have removed from agricultural service property long used for grazing cattle.

Thanks to the early concern, interest and generosity of Mrs. Winthrop M. Crane, III, a member of the Local Committee for the Homestead for many years, a remarkable program in cooperative preservation was made possible.

First, The Trustees' affiliated organization, the Massachusetts Farm and Conservation Lands Trust (MF&CLT, described elsewhere), purchased the 120 acres. Second, the Commonwealth's Department of Food & Agriculture purchased from MF&CLT agricultural preserva-



tion restrictions which guarantee that the property is permanently protected for farm purposes. Third, MF&CLT sold fee title to the land for an appropriately reduced amount to a neighboring farmer. The Trustees contributed the cost of the appraisal required by APR legislation, and also, with the Town of Cummington, towards the cost of the land itself. As a part of the project, The Trustees was also able to purchase in 1981 an additional six acres on West Cummington Road bordering the Homestead which, if developed, could have jeopardized the property's magnificent view to the north.

## **Agriculture**

With the completion of Resource Planner and Consultant Lawrence Dennison's report, *A Study on the Potential for Agricultural Use of Certain Properties of The Trustees of Reservations*, interest in agriculture continues as a high priority. At present farm programs exist at the following properties: the Bryant Homestead, Cummington; Holmes Field, Plymouth; Stevens-Coolidge Place, North Andover; Old Town Hill, Newbury; Charles River Peninsula, Needham; Bartholomew's Cobble, Ashley Falls; Naumkeag, Stockbridge; Tyringham Cobble, Tyringham; World's End, Hingham; and Notchview, Windsor.

## **Farmlands Disappearing**

During the 1980s, the continuing loss of agricultural land may well occupy more national attention than any other single land use issue. In Massachusetts alone the loss has been alarming. In 1940, 35,000 farms covered two million acres. By 1975, only 4,700 farms remained, covering just 630,000 acres. The results of this, of course, are two-fold: 1) the Commonwealth's ability to produce food and fiber products for its 5.8 million residents at a substantial savings in the cost of transportation and energy is significantly diminished; and 2) the existence of the traditional agricultural landscape which adds immeasurably to the charm and character of the countryside is jeopardized.

## **Farmlands Trust**

In an exciting move in mid-1980, The Trustees of Reservations merged its affiliate, The Land Conservation Trust, with the Massachusetts Farmlands Trust establishing the Massachusetts Farm and Conservation Lands Trust (MF&CLT). Its Executive Director is Davis Cherington, a graduate of Yale University's School of Forestry and the Environment and Field Representative for The Nature Conservancy in Vermont for many years. Mr. Cherington created the original Farmlands Trust.

The annual report of the MF&CLT, which follows this report, describes a year filled with accomplishments and promise for the future.

## **Management**

As "Trustee" for its properties, a major responsibility of The Trustees of Reservations is the continuing protection of the qualities of its landscapes. And thus it sets the highest standards attainable for every management consideration.

Management programs begin with a planning process which identifies the qualities mentioned above, natural, cultural and scientific, and recommends policies designed to balance their protection with public use and enjoyment. Many larger properties have comprehensive and detailed *Master Plans* which include a sizable collection of data.

## Management Policy Clarification

To enable Local Committees and staff to better meet the management needs of properties throughout the Commonwealth, the Committee on Management and Protection, Chairman Roland B. Greeley, addressed the matter of regional authority and proposed additions to the Future Policy Report approved by the Standing Committee in 1977. The Standing Committee agreed to the addition of the second and third paragraphs below. The first paragraph is part of the original report dated 1977.

"Preservation is our primary purpose, and thus we necessarily encourage visitation of a lower intensity than most of the public resource agencies which are engaged as well in providing opportunities for recreation. We may also appropriately discourage use of properties where such use is of an intensity which may jeopardize basic scenic and ecological values as well as the quality of the experience of the individual visitor.

"In individual cases the interpretation and administration of this policy must be left to management decisions which reflect specific local conditions. Hence the actual operation may vary from time to time, as ecologic conditions and/or patterns of use vary. Under normal conditions we will leave the operating decisions to Regional Supervisors and Reservation Local Committees. Where such decisions are seriously questioned, appeal may be made to the Committee on Management and Protection and, ultimately, to the Standing Committee.

"In all cases, the decisions will inevitably be 'judgment' decisions in which preservation and conservation are recognized as the dominant criteria with the maintenance of the tranquility of the area and its passive enjoyment by the general public as *secondary*. Thus, a particularly sensitive area may be closed entirely to public access, for a time; or an area may be open to a limited number of persons at any one time."

## Management Projects

Major management projects in 1980 included, in the Northeast Management Region, surfacing roadways at Castle Hill and pruning the Grande Allee, and purchasing a new service launch for Crane Wildlife Refuge.

In the Southeast Management Region at The Old Manse, the walls of both halls, upstairs and down, were repaired and papered with reproductions of the original 18th century French wallpaper with its drapery pattern. During the process, what appears to be original wall stenciling was discovered upstairs, as were examples of early American spot painting in the kitchen.

In the Western Management Region, at Naumkeag, Venetian gondola posts in the Afternoon Garden were restored and planning was begun on a major program of repairs and restoration at The Mission House.

At Mount Ann, Gloucester, trees were removed from a small area to provide for an expansion of Dykes Pond Reservoir, a part of the water supply for the City of Gloucester. The Trustees granted the City a flowage easement on the land in 1980. A sizable amount of land bordering Mount Ann is preserved as a watershed of the reservoir.

Rocky Woods, Medfield, celebrated its 1980-1981 winter season with 42 days of ice skating. Snow conditions made it possible to rent cross-country skis for only four days.

## Visitors

The table below shows the number of visitors welcomed at properties of The Trustees of Reservations in 1980. Methods of reporting, understandably, cannot always be based upon paid admissions and, thus, in some cases must be estimated.

Property	1980	1979
Colonel John Ashley House	1,006	1,073
Bartholomew's Cobble	3,291	2,629
Bryant Homestead	368	390
Cape Poge Wildlife Refuge and Wasque Reservation	50,336	45,760
Chapelbrook	2,997	2,725
Chesterfield Gorge	6,405	6,105
Coskata-Coatue Wildlife Refuge	30,900	27,650
Richard T. Crane, Jr. Memorial Reservation	483,707	460,052
Cornelius and Miné S. Crane Wildlife Refuge	320	250
Glendale Falls	3,000	2,600
Halibut Point	22,060	18,847
Long Hill	1,100	( )
Long Point	2,549	( )
Lowell Holly Reservation	2,418	2,198
The Mission House	3,496	3,325
Naumkeag	6,424	5,855
Notchview	3,000	4,900
The Old Manse	10,260	10,675
Rocky Woods	18,920	19,745
Stevens-Coolidge Place	1,248	1,370
World's End	62,400	59,623
All Other Reservations (estimated)	61,600	56,000
Total Visitation	777,805	731,772

## Gardens

A plan of Sedgwick Gardens, Long Hill, which includes the location of plant materials, was completed by horticulturist and author (*18th Century Gardens for Meat and Medicine*) Mrs. Isadore Smith of Ipswich. *A Guide to the Sedgwick Gardens* was published in 1981. The booklet, edited by Mrs. Smith and Patti Hall also of Ipswich, includes Mrs. Marjorie Sedgwick's original master list of plants and a map which enables visitors to follow the route used by Mrs. Sedgwick herself as she walked with friends and guests around the property.

Management of Sedgwick Gardens, widely respected for their remarkable collection of trees, shrubs and flowers, is guided by a Gardens Committee composed of members of the North Shore Garden Club, all distinguished horticulturists: Mrs. Donald Parrot, Chairman; Mrs. Robert Minturn; Mrs. Henry Streeter, President of the NSGC; Mrs. Nathaniel Coolidge; Mrs. George Whitney; Mrs. Thomas Stevenson; Mrs. Arthur DuPee; Mrs. David Weisberger and Mrs. Harry Hull. The Trustees is most grateful to them all, as it is to members of the Master Plan Study Committee and its Chairman, Advisory Council member George R. Mathey.



Thanks to the efforts of Mrs. Norma Ogden, a member of the Local Committee for Naumkeag, and Advisory Council member and landscape architect Carol R. Johnson, efforts to restore portions of the Chinese Garden at Naumkeag continue the good work made possible by the grant of \$2,500 given by the Lenox Garden Club in 1978.

Other gardens which provide pleasure for scores of visitors each year exist at The Mission House, the Colonel Ashley House, The Old Manse and the Stevens-Coolidge Place.

### **Protecting Terns**

The Trustees' efforts to protect nesting least and common terns also continue at Crane Beach, Ipswich, at Coskata-Coatue Wildlife Refuge, Nantucket, and at Cape Poge Wildlife Refuge and Wasque Reservation, Chappaquiddick. Advisory Council member John Hay and former President Charles E. Mason, Jr. take a special interest in these programs which have existed successfully for more than a decade. The Trustees is most grateful to them both.

### **Annual Meeting of Field Managers**

The annual three-day meeting of field managers — Regional Supervisors, Superintendents, Refuge Managers as well as members of the senior staff at General Headquarters — took place in Berkshire County and included a meeting at the Visitor Center at Notchview, visits to properties in the Stockbridge and Windsor Management Units, dinner at Naumkeag with resident members of the Standing Committee and Advisory Council and members of Local Committees in the region, as well as a tour of Shaker Village in Hancock.

### **Interpretive Programs**

At Chappaquiddick, the publication of a new booklet entitled *A Natural History of Cape Poge and Wasque* was celebrated at a clam-bake in August. The booklet is dedicated to the memory of Gordon Getsinger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Getsinger, long-time summer residents of Chappaquiddick. Its author, Gray Mattern; original research by naturalist Susan B. Whiting.

Berkshire County also celebrated publication of a new booklet entitled *William Cullen Bryant: The Cummington Years*. It was written by Gerard Chapman and dedicated to the memory of Peter Bryant Weston. Its publication was made possible by the generosity of Mrs. Donald M. Weston and Mrs. Winthrop M. Crane, III.

*A Guide to the Sedgwick Gardens at Long Hill* is now available for visitors at Long Hill. And with the manuscript completed by author Arthur C. Chase of Sheffield, it's expected that a booklet which tells the story of Colonel John Ashley and the Ashley House will be published in 1981. Generous contributions have also made this possible.

At Long Hill, Beverly, the Garden Committee plans a series of six lectures on horticulture. The main house will also be used for a limited number of small weddings administered with the assistance of the Castle Hill Foundation.

Interpretive events for members of The Trustees of Reservations planned for 1981 include three all-day seminars on the management of 1) coastal properties including the beach and dune environment (Crane Reservation); 2) agricultural lands (Bryant Homestead) and 3) forest



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lands (Notchview). Deputy Director for Environmental Services Garret F. VanWart will conduct each seminar.

With special events and activities offered members at properties throughout the Commonwealth growing in number and popularity, it was decided, for financial reasons as well, to discontinue, at least temporarily, presentation of the Annual Conservation Award.

#### **Events for Members**

Events for members of The Trustees included a winter visit to Brooks Woodland Preserve; a lawn party at The Old Manse to christen the *Friends of The Old Manse*; a spring visit to see wildflowers at Bartholomew's Cobble; the traditional Field Day for members of the *Friends of Bartholomew's Cobble and the Colonel John Ashley House*; and at Chappaquiddick for the *Friends of Cape Poge Wildlife Refuge and Wasque Reservation*, a lecture on mussel farming and a clambake.

At Crane Wildlife Refuge, more than 300 persons attended a Field Day to celebrate the establishment of the *Friends of Hog Island*, and in November, on a delightfully warm and sunny day, 53 members in canoes and kayaks met at the Norris Reservation, Norwell, and navigated the North River from Indian Head River, Pembroke, to Union Street Bridge, Norwell, a distance of some eight and one-half miles.

#### **Mission House Anniversary**

In September some 300 persons attended a reception in the Choate Room at The Mission House to help it celebrate its 50th anniversary as a museum house. The program included remarks by the Reverend Allen M. Comstock, minister of Stockbridge's historic Congregational Church (and successor to The Reverend John Sergeant who built The Mission House and established the first mission to the American Indians in 1735), and a wonderfully cozy paper written and read by Miss Rosamond Sherwood which included colorful recollections of the Town of Stockbridge and its people. Miss Sherwood is an original member of the Local Committee for The Mission House. Great tribute was paid Miss Mabel Choate who preserved The Mission House and gave it to The Trustees with endowment in 1948. Funds were raised to publish a special folder for the occasion which told the story of John Sergeant and his Indian mission.

#### **Music, Dance at Castle Hill**

At Castle Hill, thousands of persons enjoyed a summer program in music and dance presented by the *Castle Hill Foundation* and *Castle Hill Festival Concerts*. In 1980 the program included *Listen to the Mockingbird: Music of the Civil War Era*; *Purcell: Dido and Aeneas*; *Haydn: L'Infedelta Delusa*; and *A Salute to Castle Hill*, illustrating the pleasures of English society in the 18th century, complete with strolling musicians, popular theater music at the Casino, an equestrian display with music in the Italian Garden and fireworks. A series of special concerts were presented on Sunday evenings, and there were educational weeks devoted to early dance and music, early vocal music and a special week of early music for children. A salute for the success of the summer program should go to the members of the Castle Hill Festival Committee, Music Director Thomas Kelly, Program Director Michael Micinowski and the officers of the Castle Hill Foundation: President David W. Scudder; Vice Presidents Mrs. Cornelius Crane and George R. Mathey; Treasurer Donald F. Whiston; Assistant Treasurer Oliver H. Coolidge and Secretary William Shields, III.

### Fall Field Trip

Thirty-seven members of The Trustees toured the hill country of north Worcester County in October during The Trustees of Reservations' annual three-day Fall Field Trip. Field Trip participants visited Historic Deerfield and the Harvard Forest on Friday; Brooks Woodland Preserve, Brooks Law Office and North Common Meadow, Petersham, and Quabbin Reservoir and North New Salem Historic Society on Saturday; and on Sunday, Royalston Falls and Doane's Falls, Long Pond and Jacob Hill, and the Town of Hardwick. Mr. and Mrs. John Fiske, Mr. and Mrs. John L. Hall, Dr. and Mrs. John Carmody and Mr. and Mrs. Hall J. Peterson were hosts for the reception on Friday and for luncheons and dinners throughout the weekend. The Trustees is most grateful to Petersham residents for their warm hospitality and to all of those who made the Field Trip a success.

### Naumkeag Lecture

At the annual Naumkeag Lecture in July, Michael Richman, Editor of The National Trust's *Daniel Chester French Papers*, discussed the sculptor's relationships with his patrons and friends in Stockbridge including Ambassador and Mrs. Joseph H. Choate of Naumkeag.

### International Conference of National Trusts

In the fall of 1980, The Trustees of Reservations sponsored with The National Trust for Scotland, Scottish Heritage USA, the Adirondack Park Agency, and the U.S. National Trust for Historic Preservation, the Second International Conference of National Trusts (the first took place in Scotland in 1978), a wonderfully exciting week which involved the presentation of papers in the mornings and field trips in the afternoon.

Conference delegates met in Tarrytown, New York; Boston; and in Lake Placid, New York, visiting significant properties in each area including, in Massachusetts, Crane Beach and Castle Hill, Crane Wildlife Refuge and The Old Manse as well as properties of the National Park Service: Boston National Historic Park, Lowell National Historic Park, and Minute Man National Historic Park, Concord and Lexington. The Trustees is most grateful to the National Park Service for its cooperation.

National Trusts represented at the conference included those from England, Wales and Northern Ireland; the Republic of Ireland; Bermuda; the Bahamas; Australia, New South Wales; New Zealand; India; Scotland and the US, as well as The Trustees of Reservations which began the trust movement in 1891. President David C. Crockett and the Director served as delegates for The Trustees.

### Campaign for New Members

With the appointment of Susan Duncan Thomas as The Trustees' first Deputy Director for Development, new efforts were initiated to acquire new members and to emphasize the values of both joining The Trustees as a *member* and contributing funds as a *donor* to assist its activities.

New levels of membership subscription were approved by the Standing Committee to meet growing financial needs. They were reviewed by The Trustees' Friends organizations, now seven in all: *Friends of Cape Poge Wildlife Refuge and Wasque Reservation*; *Friends of Bartholomew's Cobble and the Colonel John Ashley House*; *Friends of World's End and Whitney & Thayer Woods*; *Friends of Misery Islands Reservation*; *Friends of Coskata-Coatue Wildlife Refuge*; *Friends of The Old Manse* and *Friends of Hog Island*.

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**Each Friend  
a Member of  
The Trustees**

Each member of a Friends organization (whose dues are used exclusively to benefit a specific property) is also member of The Trustees of Reservations. Membership cards for Friends may provide benefits at their own properties, but they also entitle Friends to visit other properties of The Trustees of Reservations free of charge. And they're encouraged to do so. They'll be warmly welcomed. Friends also receive all publications and notices regularly sent to general members of The Trustees. And this fall they will have the opportunity to contribute to the activities of The Trustees of Reservations as whole or, should they wish, once again, to the needs of their favorite property.

The Trustees hope, of course, that everyone interested in its activities will first join annually as a *member*, receiving certain benefits, and also *contribute* annually as a *donor* to help its causes.

**Membership Centers**

The campaign to add members will concentrate its appeal at selected properties, particularly at museum houses, the Richard T. Crane, Jr. Memorial Reservation, World's End and Bartholomew's Cobble; indeed, wherever facilities and personnel, both volunteers and staff, make it possible. Membership Centers with display panels and membership materials are being designed at present.

To date, The Trustees lists 2,400 members. In this its 90th anniversary year, it is hoped these new efforts will add 900 new members.

**Friends Organizations  
Are Vital**

The vital importance of Friends organizations must be emphasized as a part of this membership campaign. The loyalty, interest and support which each of them have for their properties is an inspiration and the funds raised are essential for their management and protection. The Trustees continues to be immensely grateful to their Chairmen, their Vice Chairmen, their Secretaries and their Treasurers, indeed, to all the volunteers who make their efforts a success. This regional and local interest which properties generate is an immense source of strength for The Trustees of Reservations.

**Contributions**

Thanks to the generosity of some 38 members of the Standing Committee and the Advisory Council, 46 Trustees or members of the Corporation, and some 320 additional donors, The Trustees of Reservations surpassed its annual appeal goal of \$90,000. In 1980, 412 donors contributed \$101,889. Last year's total: \$79,059.

**The 1891 Society**

Sixty-five percent of the funds contributed to the Annual Appeal came from donors of \$1,000 or more, all members of *The 1891 Society*, established by the Standing Committee in 1980 to encourage gifts of from \$1,000 to \$5,000 or more for operating purposes. Each year members of *The 1891 Society* are invited to two special events in their honor. In May, 1980, *The 1891 Society* christened its existence with a delightful luncheon at Long Hill, Beverly and Wenham, prior to the Annual Meeting and the dedication of the property itself. Ellery Sedgwick, Jr. and Mrs. Theodora Sedgwick Bond represented the Sedgwick family, donors of Long Hill. In 1981, members of *The 1891 Society*, with Society Chairman and Standing Committee member Richard Prouty as host, will meet for luncheon at The Old Manse, Concord.



**Fiscal Year 1980**

Once again, the generous and continuing support of its members, increased income from admission receipts and other user fees because of good weather, and close adherence to a line-item budget for each property, enabled The Trustees of Reservations to end its 1980 Fiscal Year with a surplus of \$456. This includes a transfer to the Reserve for Depreciation and Extraordinary Repairs of \$33,000.

FY 1981 reflects a new policy: transfers will be made quarterly to the Reserve for Depreciation and Extraordinary Repairs to reflect capital needs in the years ahead. This change and the growing expense of management everywhere, nourished by national inflation, means that the budget for FY 1981 calls unavoidably for a deficit.

The Fund for Land Acquisition and Protection, unfortunately maintains a deficit balance, reflecting special pressures as The Trustees moves to purchase and preserve vital in-holdings of land whose development would significantly affect the charm and character of an existing reservation.

<b>Operating Gift Income (Unaudited)</b>	<b>Amount 1980</b>	<b>Amount 1979</b>	<b>Donors 1980</b>	<b>Donors 1979</b>
General Fund (Annual Giving)	\$101,889	\$ 79,059	412	478
Designated Reservations	\$ 7,200	\$ 31,769	47	23
General Membership	\$ 31,090	\$ 28,774	750	598
Friends Membership				
<i>Bartholomew's Cobble/ Colonel John Ashley House</i>	\$ 12,427	\$ 11,121	275	264
<i>Cape Poge Wildlife Refuge &amp; Wasque Reservation</i>	\$ 19,896	\$ 17,802	354	388
<i>Coskata-Coatue Wildlife Refuge</i>	\$ 12,563	\$ 13,364	281	327
<i>Hog Island</i>	\$ 8,070	( )	163	( )
<i>Misery Islands Reservation</i>	\$ 5,295	\$ 3,954	159	147
<i>The Old Manse</i>	\$ 6,149	( )	90	( )
<i>World's End Reservation</i>	\$ 8,082	\$ 5,905	316	303
<b>Total Operating Gift Income</b>	<b>\$212,661</b>	<b>\$195,328</b>	<b>2,847</b>	<b>2,528</b>
<b>Endowment and Special Purpose Funds</b>	<b>Amount 1980</b>	<b>Amount 1979</b>	<b>Donors 1980</b>	<b>Donors 1979</b>
Memorial Gifts and Restricted Funds	\$ 78,736	94,335	120	177
Bequests	\$ 49,755	\$600,000	3	1
<b>Total Endowment and Special Purpose Funds</b>	<b>\$128,491</b>	<b>\$694,335</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>178</b>



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**Capital Development Program**

All this emphasizes the urgent need for new financial resources and the importance of the coming Capital Development Program.

In connection with this, a preliminary study designed to measure the feasibility of the campaign was conducted by The Trustees' fund raising counsel, Barnes & Roche. Some 40 friends and supporters were interviewed. The results of the study were most encouraging, and led by the Steering Committee — Vice President Henry R. Guild, Jr., Chairman, President David C. Crockett, Standing Committee Chairman Theodore Chase, Vice President Mrs. I. W. Colburn and Standing Committee member Mrs. Ann W. Brewer — planning for the campaign itself continues with enthusiasm.

**Allison Bequest**

The Trustees of Reservations was the recipient of an extraordinary and generous bequest received from the Estate of Miss Mary Pardee Allison of Allentown, Pennsylvania. A member of the administrative staff at Smith College, Northampton, for many years, Miss Allison first contributed \$15 to The Trustees of Reservations in 1954. Through the years, her interest in its activities increased as did her contributions. She died in June, 1978, and her will included a bequest for The Trustees of Reservations. A first distribution was received early in 1981 in the amount of \$247,500. The Trustees is immensely grateful for this wonderfully generous gift. Added to the organization's General Fund endowment, it will make so much possible in the years ahead.

**Zink Bequest**

The will of Donald G. Zink also left The Trustees a house and its small parcel of land in Cummington without restriction. The Standing Committee approved the sale of the house (no other dwellings can be built on the lot) and the addition of the proceeds to the endowment for the William Cullen Bryant Homestead nearby. Net proceeds from the sale amounted to \$37,656.95. Again, The Trustees is most grateful to Mr. Zink. Through his generosity, The Trustees was able to provide further benefits for the community he loved.

**Bequests Benefit The Old Manse**

Two other generous bequests benefited The Old Manse, Concord: Hope Sage, \$10,000 and Mrs. Raymond Emerson, \$2,000. The funds were added to the endowment for The Old Manse.

**The Mission House Appeal**

As of this writing, an appeal is under way which has, in gifts and pledges, raised \$22,500 to help repair and restore The Mission House, Stockbridge, a National Historic Landmark. The funds will match a Federal grant of \$19,000 to be received from the Massachusetts Historical Commission. Work is scheduled to begin in the spring of 1981. It will include replacement of the structure's 50-year-old roof. Thanks here go to every donor and to the appeals committee: Rush Taggart, Chairman, and Chairman of the Local Committee as well; Standing Committee members Mrs. Stephen B. Hibbard and J. Graham Parsons; and Miss Rosamond Sherwood and Mrs. Celia deG. Lucas.

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**Misery Islands  
Launch Appeal**

1980 also marked completion of a campaign to raise \$20,000 to construct a new service launch for Misery Islands Reservation. The 26-foot, outboard-powered craft was designed by naval architect Philip Bolger of Gloucester and constructed of rugged aluminum by Winninghoff Boats, Rowley. The new service launch is designed to beach out at Misery Islands and to carry a crew of three with lawn mowers and other tools as well as 12 visitors. Again, The Trustees is most grateful for the efforts of the appeals committee: Standing Committee member Mrs. Ann W. Brewer, Mrs. U. Haskell Crocker and Treasurer Mrs. Lawrence J. Brengle, Jr. A christening party is scheduled in May, 1981.

**IMS Grant**

In 1980, for the first time, The Trustees received a grant from the Institute of Museum Services in the amount of \$20,000. It was sought for and will benefit The Mission House and The Old Manse.

**Award Honors  
Accomplishments**

In late 1980, The Trustees of Reservations received the Massachusetts Conservation Council's statewide award for "A Most Valuable Service in Bringing about the Conservation of Land."

"The Trustees of Reservations," the citation declared in part, "represents an idea prescient in the past, practical in the present and priceless in the future."

**Annual Meeting**

The eighty-ninth annual meeting of the Corporation took place at Long Hill, Beverly and Wenham, at 4 p.m. on Thursday, May 22, 1980. President John M. Woolsey, Jr. presided. In the absence of Secretary Henry R. Guild, Jr., Esq., William C. Clendaniel, Esq., Deputy Director for Administration, was appointed Secretary *pro tempore*. Treasurer H. Gilman Nichols presented members of the Corporation with a written summary of financial activities for the fiscal year. He observed that the book value of the total resources of The Trustees of Reservations had risen from \$8,231,571 in 1978 to \$9,362,233 in 1979, primarily because of the addition of new properties. Income for FY 1979 totaled \$1,087,529 and expenses \$1,086,832. He mentioned that expenses were rising faster than income and The Trustees "would in the future rely as never before on the continuing generosity of its many supporters."

Nominating Committee member Mrs. Richard D. Thornton expressed thanks to other members of the Nominating Committee, Henry R. Guild, Jr., Chairman, Charles J. Kittredge, Mrs. Stephen B. Hibbard, Richard Prouty and Preston H. Saunders, and read the list of nominations. The names of Officers, Trustees, or members of the corporation, and members of the Standing Committee and of the Advisory Council are listed elsewhere in this Annual Report.

President Woolsey read the names of those persons whose terms have expired and expressed The Trustees' gratitude for their service. They are as follows: Trustees (members of the Corporation): Robert C. Alsop, Stockbridge; James B. Moseley, Hamilton; Roger Pierce, Jr.,

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Westwood; and Marshall Simonds, Carlisle; Standing Committee: Charles W. Schmidt, Wayland; Advisory Council: Daniel J. Coolidge, Boston; Sidney N. Shurcliff, Boston; and Charles R. Strickland, Plymouth.

President Woolsey then asked Advisory Council member Charles W. Eliot, II, to read a memorial minute for Charles S. Bird. It appears below.

### Memorial Minute

Charles Sumner Bird; September 29, 1884–May 13, 1980. Life Member of the Corporation of The Trustees of Reservations (1925-1980) and Member (1928-1956) and Chairman (1933-1956) of the Standing Committee.

Charles Sumner Bird, who died in Ireland in his ninety-sixth year on May 13, 1980, served The Trustees of Reservations, its purpose and cause, with great devotion and effectiveness.

When, on May 14, 1925, The Trustees — following the traditions of its early years — initiated a “Committee on Open Spaces,” Charles Bird enthusiastically assumed the Chairmanship with William Roger Greeley as Vice Chairman and Charles W. Eliot, II, as Secretary. The Committee was organized “to promote cooperation among existing organizations and government departments interested in the provision of Open Spaces in Massachusetts” and included representatives of ten such agencies.

The Committee’s first product was a state map of existing open spaces and a brief report advocating the preparation of a “State Plan” for Open Spaces and an Open Space Policy for cooperation of public and private agencies in their acquisition and management.

This report led Governor Alvin Fuller to appoint “the Governor’s Committee on Needs and Uses of Open Spaces” — again with Charles Bird as Chairman and this time with members from fourteen agencies — to “work out a comprehensive plan and coordinated policy. . . for the Bay Circuit, state beaches, forests and parks, wildlife sanctuaries and foot trails” and propose legislation for a state agency to continue the work.

From 1933 to 1956, Charles S. Bird served as Chairman of The Trustees’ Standing Committee — 23 years. His reports at The Trustees’ Annual Meetings over that whole period reflect his continued concern for The Trustees’ participation in the effectuation of the plan and policies in the 1929 Report of the Committee on Needs and Uses of Open Spaces. All of the Annual Reports during those years include a page listing the many “Reservations secured in full or in part through activities of The Trustees.”

As a summer resident of Ipswich — and husband of an Appleton — he was especially interested in the future of Appleton Farms, and was generous in his support of the Castle Hill Foundation of which he was a founder. In 1959, Mr. Bird joined with his friend Oliver D. Filley in the gift to The Trustees of two miles of beach south of Cape Poge Light on Martha’s Vineyard.



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Herbert Parker aptly described Charles Sumner Bird as one who "dedicated his efforts and his strength to the betterment and welfare of this Commonwealth he loved and served."

Members of the Corporation reappointed Cortland B. Bacall auditor for 1980.

And the Director presented his report summarizing the activities and accomplishments of The Trustees of Reservations for the year 1979.

### Special Tributes

A delightfully personal highlight of the meeting was the presentation of special tributes to John Fiske of Petersham and to John W. Kimball of North Andover for their dedication, energy and interest and for the vital services which they provide for The Trustees of Reservations. Mr. Fiske is a Trustee (member of the Corporation) and Chairman of the Local Committee for Brooks Woodland Preserve, Petersham. Mr. Kimball is a Trustee, a former member of the Standing Committee, and a present member of the Advisory Council as well as Chairman of the Local Committee for the Charles W. Ward Reservation, Andover and North Andover.

### President Woolsey Thanked

Newly-elected President David C. Crockett assumed the chair and expressed warm thanks to Mr. Woolsey for his service as President of The Trustees. Mr. Crockett's remarks were greeted with applause. Thankfully, he said, Mr. Woolsey continues his activities with The Trustees as a Vice President.

### Committees

The Trustees welcomes with pleasure the following new members of Local Committees: Mrs. Celia deG. Clucas, Naumkeag; Albert L. Silva, Jr., Coskata-Coatue Wildlife Refuge; Ms. Helena Wright, Stevens-Coolidge Place; Mrs. John W. Harrison, Mrs. William Youngman, Mrs. Alan D. Chesney, Mrs. Edmund J. McGreenery, Alan Wilson, Mrs. Cornelius Felton, Mrs. James Madden, Robert Young, and Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Heartt, Misery Islands Reservation.

Local Committees for the Richard T. Crane, Jr. Memorial Reservation and Cornelius and Miné S. Crane Wildlife Refuge were dissolved; one Local Committee was appointed for both properties. Its members are: Mrs. George R. Mathey, Chairman; Mrs. Cornelius Crane (Honorary Member); Mrs. Quincy Bent, Martin E. Cohen, Thomas A. Ellsworth, Charles W. Getchell, Mrs. Henry R. Guild, Jr., Mrs. Arthur C. Hodges, Mrs. John F. Kuhn, Paul J. McGinley, Mrs. Edward P. Monnelly, H. Gilman Nichols, John J. Nove, Lucie Prinz, David W. Scudder, Charles Shurcliff, Norton Q. Sloan, Gilbert L. Steward, Jr., Charles Tsoutsouris and John R. Verani.

At Bartholomew's Cobble, Arthur C. Chase succeeded Standing Committee member J. Graham Parsons as Chairman of the *Friends of Bartholomew's Cobble and the John Ashley House*. The Trustees is most grateful to Mr. Parsons, a founder of the *Friends of Bartholomew's Cobble*, who led the organization for many successful years.

At Crane Wildlife Refuge, Mrs. Henry R. Guild, Jr. was appointed Chairman of the *Friends of Hog Island*, and in Concord, Mrs. Henry A. Laughlin and Advisory Council member Paul Brooks were appointed Co-Chairmen of the *Friends of The Old Manse*.



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At Naumkeag, Local Committee members elected Mrs. David T. Dana, Jr., Chairman, to succeed Stephen V. C. Morris who retired after many years of distinguished and devoted service.

The Trustees is also delighted to welcome Dr. Josephine L. Murray, appointed early in 1981, as a Trustee of the Massachusetts Farm & Conservation Lands Trust.

#### **Staff**

The Trustees is also delighted to welcome seven new members to its professional staff: Susan Duncan Thomas, Deputy Director for Development, Larry J. Simpson, Superintendent, Long Hill Reservation — The Sedgwick Gardens; Robert H. Fountain, Superintendent, Cape Poge Wildlife Refuge and Wasque Reservation; Philip A. Truesdell, Superintendent, Central Management Region; Robert DeCamp, Assistant Superintendent, Rocky Woods; David Plante, Notchview; Stephen Yonaitis, South Shore Management Unit; Peter Pinciario, Landscape Foreman, Long Hill and Crane Reservation; Diane DeMarco, Assistant Director for Annual and Capital Programs; and Gertrude M. Malden, Secretary.

Wesley T. Ward, Assistant Director, and Linda R. Mitton, Secretary, joined the Massachusetts Farm and Conservation Lands Trust.

#### **Obituaries**

It is with great sadness that The Trustees reports each year the deaths of those whose interest and involvement have meant so much to its success: Richard Bullock, whose gift made possible the acquisition of Doane's Falls Reservation, Royalston; Robert K. Wheeler, former Chairman of the Local Committee for Monument Mountain and long-time member of the Local Committee for Bartholomew's Cobble; Philip Dana Orcutt, Chairman of the Local Committee for Royalston Falls; and Charles Sumner Bird, former Chairman of the Standing Committee and Life Member of the Corporation.

Early in 1981, The Trustees was deeply saddened to learn of the death of Sidney N. Shurcliff, distinguished landscape architect, author, former member of the Standing Committee and Advisory Council, and for many years, Chairman of the Local Committee for the Richard T. Crane, Jr. Memorial Reservation which he helped The Trustees acquire and preserve. His professional contributions were immense and his knowledge and experience as well as his continuing devotion to the cause of conservation will be greatly missed.

A week later, the Trustees suffered another loss as veteran Superintendent Foster B. Silva of Chappaquiddick also died unexpectedly. Mr. Silva's extraordinary and unique knowledge of the natural history of his beloved Cape Poge Wildlife Refuge and Wasque Reservation as well as his wonderfully warm way with people can never be replaced.

#### **90th Anniversary**

This year, 1981, The Trustees of Reservations celebrates the 90th anniversary of its founding. No celebration is complete without recognition of those persons who have made its accomplishments possible.

First, of course, is Charles Eliot, a young and talented landscape architect, whose genius established The Trustees in 1891. Sadly lost to the world in March, 1897, at the age of 38, he was eulogized by the Standing Committee at a meeting the day after his death: "Charles Eliot," it declared, "found in this community a generous but helpless sentiment for the preservation of our historical and beautiful places. By ample

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knowledge, by intelligent perseverance, by eloquent teaching, he created organizations capable of accomplishing his great purposes and inspired others with a zeal approaching his own."

Second is the original Standing Committee and its successors through the years, men and women of extraordinary talent: landscape architects and architects, lawyers, doctors, financiers and businessmen, authors, editors and educators whose time and interest, judgment and taste, and above all, deep devotion to the purposes of the organization made all things happen. And with the Standing Committees must be included a salute for all volunteers, especially members of Local Committees, and other committees as well, whose recommendations and decisions have helped chart the organization's course and provide continuing protection for its properties.

Third, and perhaps most important, are those whose gifts of land and other property, as well as generous financial support, have enabled The Trustees of Reservations to preserve for public purposes an extraordinary collection of "beautiful and historic places and tracts of land" throughout the Commonwealth. It is, indeed, today, as envisioned by its founder, *A Museum of the Massachusetts Landscape*.

Finally, there are the members of The Trustees' professional staff, starting with its first paid employee, Charles W. Eliot, II, landscape architect himself and nephew of the founder, who served as Field Secretary from 1924 to 1926 and whose fascinating and delightful 90th anniversary comments appear elsewhere in this Annual Report. These are remarkable men and women whose strong and continuing pride in the quality of service they provide and whose personal standards of achievement are extraordinary.

As it looks back on nine decades of accomplishment, The Trustees of Reservations is more aware than ever, as Charles Eliot declared before the turn of this century, of the need to protect "remaining bits of scenery which possess uncommon beauty and unusual refreshing power."

The opportunities are there. For the sake of this and future generations, the good work of the past must be continued and those precious portions of the landscape which mean so much to the charm and character of the Massachusetts countryside must be preserved.

Respectfully submitted,  
Gordon Abbott, Jr.  
*Director*

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# Massachusetts Farm and Conservation Land Trust — Annual Report, 1980

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The Massachusetts Farm and Conservation Lands Trust is an affiliate of The Trustees of Reservations. Established initially as The Land Conservation Trust, its name was changed in 1980. Its Trustees are appointed by the Standing Committee of The Trustees of Reservations. They are Robert Livermore, Jr., Beverly; Dr. Josephine L. Murray, Boxford; Thomas L. P. O'Donnell, Hingham; and Walter S. Robbins, Milton. Its Executive Director is Davis Cherington who submitted the annual report below.

## **Establishing the Trust**

On March 1, 1980, the Executive Director and the Board of Advisors began a four-month effort to plan and structure a private, charitable Trust to acquire and permanently protect important tracts of agricultural land within the Commonwealth.

With support from four Massachusetts foundations, the planning and development phase was successfully completed by late June. On July 1, the Massachusetts Farm and Conservation Lands Trust (MF&CLT) officially commenced operations with offices located at Long Hill, 572 Essex Street, Beverly, a property of The Trustees of Reservations and headquarters of its northeast management region.

This quick start-up was made possible by incorporating this new farmland preservation effort into the program of The Land Conservation Trust, an existing 501(C)(3) charitable organization associated with The Trustees of Reservations. This merger also provided immediate access to a revolving fund with assets of \$200,000.

## **Protection of Three Farms**

With the basic legal and financial structure in place, MF&CLT began negotiations to buy three farm properties in Massachusetts. By October, all three properties were under contract at a total purchase price of \$740,000. In December, the Trust closed with the sellers, immediately sold agricultural preservation restrictions to the Commonwealth, and then completed the projects by selling the restricted farmland to active farmers at prices equaling the land's agricultural value.

Through purchase and resale of these three properties, the Trust insured that these lands would be preserved for agricultural production. Through careful financial planning, the Trust not only recouped its initial purchase price but also covered the legal, survey and overhead costs associated with each of the projects.



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Successful completion of the initial three farmland preservation projects demonstrates the essential role the Trust can play by working in close cooperation with the Massachusetts Department of Food and Agriculture. In the words of DFA Commissioner Frederic Winthrop, Jr., "the cooperation between this Trust and our Department has helped immeasurably in 1980. We could not have preserved these three farms without the Trust's help."

### **Limited Development Techniques**

The three projects completed in 1980 relied heavily on the Commonwealth's Agricultural Preservation Restriction program. Sale of restrictions to the Commonwealth enabled the Trust to recover an average of 72 percent of the original farm purchase price. The remainder of the purchase price was recovered through sale of the restricted land to a farmer. MF&CLT's founders have recognized from the beginning that no private farmland protection effort can rely entirely on a publicly funded program. Consequently, during 1980, MF&CLT devoted both time and money to the examination of various ways of harnessing private capital to purchase farmland and preserve it for permanent agricultural production. Temple, Barker and Sloane, a Lexington, Massachusetts, management consulting group, carried out research on "The Feasibility of Using Non-Registered Syndications for the Preservation of Massachusetts Farmlands." TBS's final report pointed to several potential Federal tax code roadblocks which might arise if MF&CLT attempted to systematically package these investment-preservation projects. MF&CLT is continuing to examine alternative ways to involve private investors in farmland preservation.

One very promising private sector preservation strategy is often referred to as "creative land development." Under this approach, MF&CLT would purchase an entire farm, and then recover its purchase price by selling the non-agricultural land for limited, carefully controlled development. The farmland could then be sold to a farmer with an agricultural restriction insuring in perpetuity its availability for farming. This landsaving technique has proven effective and financially sound in Lincoln, Massachusetts, under the auspices of the Lincoln Rural Land Foundation.

During 1981, MF&CLT plans to carry out two limited development projects in order to demonstrate the effectiveness of this approach for farmland preservation.

### **Line of Credit**

A primary goal for 1980 was the establishment of a line of credit with a major commercial bank to enable the Trust to borrow on short notice to finance the purchase of farm property. During 1980, the Trust began a series of meetings with a new national farmland preservation organization known as the American Farmland Trust (AFT), located in Washington, D.C. By September, the two organizations agreed to affiliate on an informal basis. As a result of this affiliation, MF&CLT now has available through the AFT a substantial line of credit with Citibank in New York. This line of credit provides MF&CLT with greater financial flexibility, not only in negotiating purchases but also in coordinating closing dates with sellers and buyers.



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**Providing Technical Assistance**

The very effective combination of the public APR program and the private MF&CLT program has prompted officials in other states to regard Massachusetts as a model for effective farmland preservation. MF&CLT's Executive Director has responded to countless requests for information and technical help from both in-state and out-of-state local, county, and state organizations. MF&CLT's affiliation with the American Farmland Trust will enhance the effectiveness with which MF&CLT carries out this clearinghouse function, particularly because the AFT has established itself as a national center for farmland preservation information.

**Assisting The Trustees**

Although financially independent, MF&CLT is legally affiliated with The Trustees of Reservations. The Trustees owns a substantial amount of agricultural land as part of its 15,699 acre statewide reservation system. During the past year MF&CLT has assisted The Trustees of Reservations with several land acquisitions bordering its properties, most notably the Florence Streeter pastureland in Cummington which lies adjacent to the William Cullen Bryant Homestead.

**Financial Support**

None of the Trust's activities would have been possible without the enthusiastic and generous support of the following foundations which collectively contributed \$60,000 to general operations in 1980: Bird Companies Charitable Foundation, The Charles E. Merrill Trust, Fund for the Preservation of Wildlife and Natural Areas, Massachusetts Society for Promoting Agriculture, Nathaniel and Elizabeth P. Stevens Foundation, Rockefeller Brothers Fund (American Farmland Trust) and Vingo Trust.

In 1981, the Trust will derive 40 percent of its operating income from project overhead and revolving fund interest, thereby making a healthy start along the road to financial self-sufficiency.

**Summary**

The Trust's primary accomplishment in 1980 has been to demonstrate conclusively that the farmland protection strategies formulated a year ago are both legally and financially sound. Three successful pilot projects have proved this to both the Department of Food and Agriculture and to the financial and legal institutions working with the Trust.

1981 promises to be a year in which the Trust will both expand and diversify its farmland preservation activities. In less than a year, the Trust has progressed from a set of concepts to a proven and accepted program which can have a significant impact on the Massachusetts agricultural landscape.

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# Financial Report

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The year ended December 31, 1980 was notable for unusually good weather which, together with increased fees, enabled our Reservations to report record revenues. Receipts from Reservations were up strongly to \$541,144, investment income had a good gain to \$557,354, and gifts remained at approximately the same level as a year ago. Total receipts were \$1,297,712 which permitted us to report a modest surplus for the year.

Disbursements and transfers reached \$1,297,256, up more than \$200,000 from the previous year. We, like everyone else, felt the forces of inflation. In addition we filled new positions on our staff in both Headquarters and the Reservations.

Book value of all our resources rose slightly to \$9,658,232 while the market value of The Trustees' security portfolio rose almost \$700,000 to \$4,958,483.

Our good fortune with the weather cannot be expected to be repeated on a regular basis nor can unusually large gains in investment income. Our costs are rising more rapidly than our income and we are severely limited in our ability to acquire and maintain new properties. In fact, our fund for this purpose had a negative balance at the end of the year.

Our budget for 1981 indicates a substantial deficit reflecting the willingness of The Trustees to spend the money necessary to preserve and protect our Reservations. Additional capital funds which will generate income to meet the needs we face now as well as in the future are a necessity. Fortunately, the care with which The Trustees of Reservations has met its obligations in the past should stand it in good stead as we appeal to the generosity of our friends.

Respectfully submitted,

H. Gilman Nichols  
*Treasurer*

*A gift of upland with a magnificent view of Vineyard Sound and the Elizabeth Islands further protects the dramatic marine escarpment at Menemsha Hills Reservation.*



# Exhibit A

## Balance Sheet

### December 31, 1980

Resources	1980	1979
Cash on Hand and in Banks	\$ 120,951	\$ 414,339
Investments		
Bonds (Quoted Market Value - \$1,499,283)	\$1,648,642	\$1,378,295
Stocks (Quoted Market Value - 3,297,761)	2,378,045	2,450,475
Other (Quoted Market Value - 161,439)	161,439	4,188,126
Advances Receivable	5,739	5,980
Accrued Interest Receivable	33,249	21,976
Land, Buildings and Personal Property	5,310,167	5,091,167
<b>Total Resources</b>	<b>\$9,658,232</b>	<b>\$9,362,232</b>

## Liabilities and Funds<sup>3</sup>

<b>Liabilities</b>				
Accounts Payable	\$ 49,125		\$ 623	
Payroll Taxes, etc. Withheld	4,774	\$ 53,899	27,589	\$ 28,212
<b>Funds</b>				
Reservation and Memorial Funds <sup>1</sup>	\$3,354,175		\$3,338,528	
Accumulated Gains and Losses on Sales of Securities	(-) 65,518		(-) 168,566	
Land, Buildings and Personal Property Fund	5,310,167		5,091,167	
General Fund (Exhibit C)	915,742		915,286	
Designated Purpose Funds:				
Reserve for Repairs, Replacements and Extraordinary Expenditures	(-) 17,283		43,558	
Fund for Acquisition and Preservation of Conservation Land	(-) 7,997		1,382	
Conservation Restriction Fund	42,859		44,255	
Special Project Funds	72,188	9,604,333	68,410	9,344,020
<b>Total Liabilities and Funds</b>	<b>\$9,658,232</b>		<b>\$9,362,232</b>	

## Exhibit B

### Statement of Operating Receipts and Disbursements

Receipts	1980	1979
Investments <sup>2</sup>		
General Fund	\$ 52,015	\$ 52,687
Reservation Funds	251,406	303,421
Trusts under Indenture Arthur and Helen Budd	\$ 253,933	\$ 557,354
Gifts and Membership		
Contributions		
General Fund	\$ 113,065	\$ 108,286
Reservation Funds	80,866	193,931
Receipts at the Reservations	541,144	374,200
Miscellaneous	5,283	9,791
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>\$1,297,712</b>	<b>\$1,087,529</b>



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**Disbursements and Transfers**

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Operating Expenses				
Headquarters	\$373,625		\$317,438	
Reservations	<u>890,631</u>	\$1,264,256	<u>739,394</u>	\$1,056,832
Transfer to Reserve for Repairs, Replacements and Extraordinary Expenditures		33,000		30,000
<b>Total Disbursements and Transfers</b>		<b><u>\$1,297,256</u></b>		<b><u>\$1,086,832</u></b>
<b>Excess of Operating Receipts over Disbursements and Transfers (Exhibit C)</b>		<b>\$ <u>456</u></b>		<b>\$ <u>697</u></b>

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**Exhibit C**  
**Analysis of General Fund**

	1980	1979
<b>Balance, January 1</b>	<b>\$915,286</b>	<b>\$915,189</b>
Add: Excess of Operating Receipts over Disbursements for the Year Ending December 31 (Exhibit B)	<u>456</u>	<u>697</u>
Deduct: Transfers of Deficits from Special Projects Fund Transfer of deficit from World's End Land Acquisition Fund		600
<b>Balance, December 31 (Exhibit A)</b>	<b><u>\$915,742</u></b>	<b><u>\$915,286</u></b>

Mr. H. Gilman Nichols, Treasurer  
The Trustees of Reservations  
Milton, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Nichols:

I have examined the Balance Sheet of The Trustees of Reservations as of December 31, 1980 and the related Statements of Income and Expense and Changes in Funds for the year then ended. The examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing stands, and included such tests of the accounting records and other auditing procedures as I considered necessary in the circumstances.

In my opinion, the accompanying Balance Sheet and Schedules in support thereof present fairly the financial position of The Trustees of Reservations at December 31, 1980 and the results of its operations for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles consistently applied.

Cortland B. Bacall  
*Certified Public Accountant*

131 State Street  
Boston, Massachusetts  
April 16, 1981

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## Notes to the Accounts

### 1. Budd Trusts

The Trustees of Reservations is a residual beneficiary under the Arthur and Helen Budd Trusts, which have a market value of \$4,711,438, and receives income each year from these trusts.

### 2. Pooled Funds

All Reservation and Memorial Endowment Funds, with the exception of The Mission House and Naumkeag, are pooled for investment purposes. Income is assigned quarterly to each fund according to its unit share of the total account. If additions are made to principal in any single account, its number of units, or share of the total, is raised proportionately, thus allowing a proportionate increase in growth and income. In the same way, each fund also shares in an appreciation of principal and in an increase of dividends.

### 3. Funds

The Trustees of Reservations has two major capital funds. The income from these funds, together with fees and annual gifts, provides the money for operations.

*Reservation and Memorial Funds* have been given to maintain and protect certain of The Trustees' properties. The expenditure of income or capital from these funds is governed by the terms of the gift. Separate accounts are maintained for each of these funds, but they are pooled for investment purposes. In a few cases, income is restricted solely to maintaining a specific property. Similarly, the use of capital has sometimes been restricted by the donor.

The *General Fund* consists of moneys not associated with a specific property. With few exceptions, this fund is unrestricted as to principal and income and this flexibility has been vital to The Trustees of Reservations over the years. Unrestricted gifts of \$5,000 or more are added to the General Fund.

*Land, Buildings and Personal Property* are carried on the balance sheet at book value.

The Standing Committee of The Trustees of Reservations has also created several designated purpose funds:

- 1) The *Reserve for Repairs, Replacements and Extraordinary Expenditures* is designed to meet large or unusual expenses and provides a source for the replacement of major items of equipment. Routine maintenance and replacements are paid for with operating funds.
- 2) The *Fund for Acquisition and Protection of Conservation Land* was established to enable The Trustees of Reservations to acquire property immediately in order to take advantage of special circumstances. This fund has allowed The Trustees of Reservations to purchase numbers of important properties in the past.
- 3) The *Conservation Restriction Fund* is of ever-increasing importance as The Trustees of Reservations assumes growing responsibilities in the area of conservation restrictions. These funds will be used to administer, inspect, protect and defend, if necessary, properties in accordance with the terms of the restrictions.
- 4) *Special Project Funds* have also been established by The Trustees of Reservations as it receives gifts or grants for projects of limited duration such as the restoration of a house or museum or the publication of an interpretive booklet.

# Properties 1892–1980

	First Acquired		Approximate Acreage
	1892	Virginia Wood, Stoneham (to MDC, 1923; Act of Legislature)	
7-10	1894	Goodwill Park, Falmouth (taken by Town, 1950)	
13	1897	Mount Ann Park, Gloucester	87
25	1897	Rocky Narrows, Sherborn	77
	1898	Governor Hutchinson's Field, Milton	10
3	1899	Monument Mountain Reservation, Great Barrington	271 [14]
	1902	Pine Knoll, Sheffield (to Town, 1933)	
1	1905	Petticoat Hill, Williamsburg	60
1	1928	William Cullen Bryant Homestead, Cummington	189
125	1929	Chesterfield Gorge, West Chesterfield	161
8	1933	Whitney and Thayer Woods, Cohasset and Hingham	804 [5]
15	1934	Medfield Rhododendrons, Medfield	196
1	1934	Halibut Point, Rockport	12
16	1935	Dinosaur Footprints, Holyoke	8
37	1935	Misery Islands, Salem	83
	1936	Magnolia Shore, Gloucester (to City, 1959)	
1	1936	Pine and Hemlock Knoll, Wenham	14
	1939	The Old Manse, Concord	8
15	1940	Charles W. Ward Reservation, Andover	610
1	1941	Elliott Laurel Reservation, Phillipston	33
15	1942	Rocky Woods, Medfield	473 [32]
33	1942	Lowell Holly Reservation, Mashpee and Sandwich	135
1	1944	Holmes Reservation, Plymouth	26
10	1945	Richard T. Crane, Jr. Memorial Reservation, Ipswich	1,352
5	1946	Bartholomew's Cobble, Ashley Falls	240
	1948	The Mission House, Stockbridge	½
8	1951	Royalston Falls, Royalston	205
2	1952	Old Town Hill, Newbury	293
	1952	Redemption Rock, Princeton	¼
	1954	Chesterwood, Stockbridge (to donor's foundation and National Trust for Historic Preservation, 1962)	
5	1955	Crowninshield Island, Marblehead Harbor	5
1	1956	Pegan Hill, Dover and Natick	32
3	1957	Agassiz Rock, Manchester	104
	1957	Pierce House, Milton	6
	1959	Cape Poge Wildlife Refuge, Chappaquiddick	489
1	1959	Doane's Falls, Royalston	30



3	1959	Mashpee River, Mashpee	394
11.5	1959	Naumkeag, Stockbridge	46
1.5	1959	Noon Hill, Medfield	204
1.5	1960	Charles River Peninsula, Needham	29
	1962	Stevens-Coolidge Place, North Andover	91 [2]
1.5	1962	Tantiusques (Graphite Mine), Sturbridge	55
3	1963	Tyringham Cobble, Tyringham	206
1.5	1964	Chapelbrook, South Ashfield	128
1.5	1964	Pamet River, Truro	20
1.5	1964	Glendale Falls, Middlefield	60
11	1966	Notchview, Windsor	3,000
3	1966	Menemsha Hills, Chilmark	158 [9]
1.5	1966	Fork Factory Brook, Medfield	72
4	1967	World's End, Hingham	251
2	1967	Wasque, Chappaquiddick	200
1.5	1968	Bear's Den, North New Salem	3
4	1968	Bear Swamp, Ashfield	213
1	1968	Weir Hill, North Andover	183
	1968	Meadow Lots, Medfield	16
1	1970	Henry L. Shattuck Reservation, Medfield	283
1.5	1970	Albert F. Norris Reservation, Norwell	100
3	1970	Appleton Farms Grass Rides, Hamilton	197 [17]
	1974	Bridge Island Meadows, Millis	80
	1974	Coskata-Coatue Wildlife Refuge, Nantucket	963
3	1974	Cornelius and Miné S. Crane Wildlife Refuge, Ipswich and Essex	700
2.5	1975	James W. Brooks Woodland Preserve, Petersham	405
1.5	1975	Jacob Hill, Royalston	135
1.5	1975	Greenwood Farm Salt Marsh, Ipswich	209 [19]
1	1975	Noanet Brook Woods, Dover	61
1	1975	North Common Meadow, Petersham	24
	1976	Medouie Creek, Nantucket	5
2.5	1976	Mytoi, Chappaquiddick	11
1.5	1977	McLennan Reservation, Tyringham	446
2	1979	Long Hill, Beverly	114
1	1979	Long Point Wildlife Refuge, West Tisbury	580
	1980	Castle Neck River, Ipswich	40

Total represents  
acreage as of December  
31, 1980, and includes  
acreage acquired during  
calendar year 1980  
shown in brackets [ ].

**Total approximate acreage**

**15,699**

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## Conservation Restrictions

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1972	Charles River, Sherborn	81
1973	Longacre Farm, Medfield	63
1973	Prospect Hill, Chilmark	8
1974	James W. Brooks Woodland Preserve, Petersham	6
1974	Castle Neck River, Ipswich and Essex	227
1974	Hunnewell Pinetum, Wellesley	5
1974	Mayhew Island, Chilmark	7
1975	Castle Neck River, Ipswich	32
1975	Charles River, Westwood and Dedham	18
1975	East Hollyholm, Chilmark	75
1975	Seven Gates Farm, Chilmark and West Tisbury	1,100
1975	Trout Brook, Dover	110
1976	Bothways Farm, Essex	99
1976	Charles River, Millis	20
1976	Charles River, Sherborn	24
1976	Ipswich River, Ipswich	30
1976	Nashawena Island, Gosnold	1,900
1976	Tiah's Cove, West Tisbury	65
1977	James W. Brooks Woodland Preserve, Petersham	26
1977	Charles River, Dedham	88
1977	Oak Island, Ipswich	8
1977	Rockhurst Hill, West Brookfield	70
1977	Tuckernuck Island, Nantucket	297
1978	Bogastow Brook, Millis	85
1978	Cape Ann Golf Course, Essex	50
1979	Stevens Field, North Andover	11
1979	Charles River, Wellesley	4
1979	Seven Gates Farm, Chilmark and West Tisbury	106
1980	Holly Hill Farm, Cohasset	120
1980	The Hollow, Norwell	90
1980	Parkinson Property, Medfield	82
1980	Halibut Point, Rockport	13

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**Total approximate acreage**

**4,920**

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# Ninetieth Birthday, 1891-1981

## by Charles W. Eliot, II

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“The Trustees of Public Reservations” was established as a private corporation by “Chapter 352 Acts of the Legislature” when Governor William E. Russell signed the Act on May 21, 1891. So now we celebrate the 90th birthday of The Trustees and 90 years of gratifyingly successful efforts in “acquiring, holding, arranging, maintaining, and opening to the public, under suitable regulations, beautiful and historic places and tracts of land within this Commonwealth.”

A year before The Trustees was established, a young landscape architect, Charles Eliot, organized a Committee of the Appalachian Mountain Club which invited over 2,000 persons to attend a conference on May 24, 1890, to discuss “a scheme for . . . dedication to public enjoyment of . . . sites and scenes — as possess either uncommon beauty or historic interest.” Over 100 from all over the state came to the conference and messages in support of the scheme were received from the Governor, President of the Senate, Colonel Thomas W. Higginson, Oliver Wendell Holmes, Francis Parkman, Frederick Law Olmsted, Judge William S. Shurtleff and Professor Charles E. Norton. Among those “enlisted by Charles Eliot in the establishment of The Trustees were Senator George F. Hoar, General Francis A. Walker, Professors N. S. Shaler and Charles S. Sargent, Mr. Phillip A. Chase of Lynn, Mr. Frederick L. Ames of North Easton, and Mr. Leverett Saltonstall of Newton — among the original incorporators. Dr. Henry P. Walcott, chairman of the State Board of Health, President Franklin Carter of Williams College, and Augustus Hemenway of Canton were among those soon added to the Board.” (From *Charles Eliot — Landscape Architect*, by Charles W. Eliot, Houghton, Mifflin and Company, 1902.)

The conference, in turn, set up a committee of 26 for which Charles Eliot drafted a series of circulars and news releases, and organized support for a bill for incorporation of The Trustees at a hearing on March 10, 1891. Nine weeks later the bill was law.

The first meeting of the new corporation on June 26, 1891, attended by eleven of the fifteen incorporators, adopted By-Laws and elected officers and members of a Standing Committee. Those officers and their successors are listed elsewhere in this Annual Report.

### Early Reservations

Thus the work began, and over the past 90 years many generous men and women have taken advantage of the “ready and trustworthy instrument” which The Trustees provided. The Trustees now hold for the public benefit 67 reservations comprising some 15,700 acres of land and 55 conservation restrictions covering over 4,920 acres.



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The first reservation given to The Trustees (1892) was Virginia Wood — a tract of land in the Middlesex Fells which is now administered by the Metropolitan District Commission as part of the Middlesex Fells Reservation. The second reservation was Goodwill Park in Falmouth (1894) — a gift of the Fay Family — which was “taken” from the jurisdiction of The Trustees by the Town for protection of the Town Water Supply. The third was Mt. Ann Park in Gloucester, given in 1897 in memory of Henry Davis Minot; and the same year, Rocky Narrows in Sherborn was given by Augustus Hemenway. The establishment of these reservations was followed in the next two succeeding years by Governor Hutchinson’s Field in Milton and Monument Mountain Reservation in Great Barrington. Pine Knoll in Sheffield was given to The Trustees in 1902 but has since been transferred to the care of the Town. In 1905 a reservation was established at Petticoat Hill in Williamsburg.

### **Historic Places**

Activities of The Trustees were revived in the 1920’s with resulting additional gifts beginning with the first of our “historic places” — the William Cullen Bryant Homestead in 1928, and the “beautiful” Chesterfield Gorge in 1929. In 1935 The Trustees got into archaeological history with the acquisition of the Dinosaur Footprints in Holyoke, and into the preservation of more historic buildings — The Old Manse, Concord, in 1939; The Mission House, Stockbridge, in 1948; the Great House at Castle Hill, Ipswich, in 1949; Naumkeag, Stockbridge, in 1959; Ashley House at Bartholomew’s Cobble in 1972; the Choate House at Hog Island in 1974, and Greenwood Farm and the Paine House, Ipswich, in 1979.

Many of these historic places are National Historic Landmarks or listed on the National Register of Historic Places making them eligible for public matching restoration grants.

### **Conservation Restrictions**

Additional procedures for the preservation of natural and historic places were provided in Chapter 184, Laws of 1969 through conservation restrictions: easements restricting physical changes while preserving the owner’s privacy.

The Trustees sought and obtained legislation expanding its Charter purpose to include conservation restrictions in 1971, and, the following year, accepted the first gift of a restriction from Mrs. George Lewis, Sr. and Mr. and Mrs. George Lewis covering 81 acres and adjoining Rocky Narrows Reservation, Sherborn. Over the following years many more conservation restrictions have been given to The Trustees — notably over the Ipswich-Essex salt marshes, on the Vineyard, Tuckernuck and Nantucket Islands, Nashawena and many other beautiful areas. For the administration and enforcement of these restrictions, a Conservation Restriction Fund has been established for which contributions are solicited.

All of the conservation restrictions now held by The Trustees apply to open spaces. A second kind of restriction called a *preservation restriction* applies to historic features of structures, exterior and interior. Experience in Ipswich shows that this procedure can be used to preserve historic buildings near or adjoining public reservations.

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**New and Flexible Trust**

Another new tool for the preservation of open spaces is now available to protect and encourage continued agricultural use of farmlands through restrictive easements and purchase of development rights. Where our reservations adjoin farms, these procedures can be helpful in maintaining the settings of our properties.

In 1973, an allied but independent Land Conservation Trust was established by The Trustees to provide flexibility in accomplishing conservation and effective land use planning. It may, for example, acquire property, turn over the featured portion of it to The Trustees or other appropriate agency, and sell the remainder (under appropriate restrictions) to recoup part of the costs. It has amply proved its usefulness and value. In 1980 the name of this Trust was changed to the Massachusetts Farm and Conservation Lands Trust to reflect the new interest in preserving the agricultural lands of the Commonwealth.

**Three Themes**

Since a chronological history of The Trustees would fill a whole book, and neither you, the reader, nor I, the compiler of this piece, has the time or patience to go through 90 years of activities and persons involved, I refer you to the annual reports and numerous publications of The Trustees for the full record.

Let us consider three "themes" in the story of The Trustees: 1) the Sister Organizations, 2) the Role of The Trustees in Plans and Actions for the Preservation of Open Spaces in Massachusetts, and 3) the Families of the Trustees. A piece I prepared fifteen years ago for the 75th anniversary of The Trustees (1965 Annual Report, pages 7-9) discusses the first two of these "themes" and excerpts appear below.

**Sister Organizations**

The Trustees of Reservations is now the oldest private agency in this country concerned with conservation and preservation of beautiful and historic places.

Since 1891 many other private trusts have been established for similar purposes in this and other countries — some of them patterned directly on The Trustees. Thus, in 1894, The National Trust for Places of Historic Interest or Natural Beauty was created in England as an "Association" with a charter using much of the language from The Trustees Act. The success of that organization led to passage by Parliament of the National Trust Act in 1907 and prompted the establishment of our own National Trust for Historic Preservation in the United States, chartered by Congress in 1949.

Now, the movement has spread to Scotland (1931), New Zealand, Bermuda and the Bahamas and last fall The Trustees hosted a portion of the Second International Conference of National Trusts at Castle Hill at the Crane Reservation.

## **Trust Established in Maine**

Another sister organization — The American Scenic and Historic Preservation Society in New York — is celebrating its 85th anniversary this year. The Hancock County Trustees of Public Reservations in Maine, like The Trustees of Reservations in Massachusetts, owes its existence, though indirectly, to Charles Eliot; for even before he moved to organize the Massachusetts Trustees he had advocated the "organization of incorporated bodies to secure and maintain reservations for public use along the coast of Maine." The Hancock County Trustees were established by his father, President Eliot, after his son's death; and their work led eventually to the creation of Acadia National Park on Mt. Desert Island. Still another extension of the influence of The Trustees and the cause it represents led to the organization of the American Outdoor Art Association in 1898 which later became the American Civic Association, then the American Planning and Civic Association and continued as Urban America, Inc. I have not found any direct participation of The Trustees in the founding and work of the National Park and Conservation Association, but know from my personal involvement in its activities and friendship with its Director Robert S. Yard, and the first four directors of the National Park Service, that the experience and success of the Massachusetts Trustees of Reservations significantly affected its actions.

Here in Massachusetts other private associations and trusts joined in the work of preserving open spaces including the Massachusetts Audubon Society, the Massachusetts Forest and Park Association, the Nature Conservancy, The Fund for Preservation of Wildlife and Natural Areas, The Conservation Law Foundation, and the Massachusetts Conservation Council at the state level, as well as regional and local conservation trusts and village improvement societies in our cities and towns. Similarly in concern for historic places, The Trustees have worked with the Society for the Preservation of New England Antiquities, and the numerous historical societies and individual trusts which own and maintain historic buildings and sites.

In the 1930's the Annual Reports of The Trustees regularly included three pages on "Cooperating Societies" with listing of garden clubs, women's clubs, improvement societies, historical societies, and so forth, which grew from 24 in 1934 to 121 in 1946. Here was, and is a source of help — volunteers, funds, knowledge and cooperation for The Trustees.

## **Plans and Actions for Preservation of Open Spaces**

From the outset The Trustees has been concerned with the preservation of open spaces in all parts of Massachusetts by public and private agencies. The first Annual Report included a 62-page appendix on the "Public Holdings of the Shore Towns," a Report on the Province Lands, and state laws on the subject; the second listed all the known open spaces by towns.



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One of the first achievements of The Trustees was the presentation, again at Charles Eliot's initiative, of the need for more and better recreational facilities in and about Boston. Again an efficient committee was appointed, a bill drafted and presented to the Legislature in December, 1891. Charles Eliot made the opening address at the hearing and the Act establishing the Metropolitan Park Commission was passed and approved by the Governor on June 2, 1892. Charles Eliot and his partners became the consulting landscape architects of the Commission and the plans for metropolitan parks and reservations — the Blue Hills, Middlesex Falls, the parks along the Mystic, Neponset and Charles Rivers, and the Charles River Dam, Basin and Esplanade, the public beaches at Nantasket and Revere and the parkways of the district — are largely of his devising, though he did not live to see their completion.

#### **Control of Outdoor Advertising**

Outdoor advertising was another subject addressed in the early reports of The Trustees with advocacy of legislation to control the location and size of advertising signs — particularly in relation to open spaces and highways — beginning a battle still in progress!

In 1924-25 The Trustees again sponsored a movement for open spaces — this time on a statewide basis — through The Governor's Committee on Needs and Uses of Open Spaces. That Committee was chaired by Charles S. Bird, Chairman of The Trustees' Standing Committee, and I doubled as Secretary for both the Committee and The Trustees. The Committee produced an inventory of existing open spaces and prepared the first State Plan for Open Spaces which was published by The Trustees in 1927 with recommendations for the "Bay Circuit" beaches, forests, parks and wildlife areas. This was followed by a landscape survey, prepared by Bradford Williams, the Field Secretary of The Trustees in 1933, which identified the best examples of different types of scenery in Massachusetts as seen by the Boston Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects.

The efforts of The Trustees to follow up the recommendations of the Committee on Needs and Uses of Open Spaces helped to establish active programs for State Parks in the Department of Natural Resources.

#### **Bay Circuit of Open Spaces**

In 1940 The Trustees published a pamphlet by Henry M. Channing on "Enlarging the Metropolitan Park District" to include the proposed Bay Circuit and all the municipalities within 25 miles of the State House, and in 1941 it formally sponsored legislation for the "Bay Circuit of Open Spaces." But it was not until 1956, when I petitioned for H. 1304 — again for the Bay Circuit — that we finally got the law enacted.

Then in 1958, an "Inventory and Plan for Development of the Natural Resources of Massachusetts" (174 pages and maps) was issued by the Department of Natural Resources. I testified at the hearing and recorded The Trustees' support. Some of the bills passed.

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In May, 1967, at a conference entitled "The Parkland Crisis in Greater Boston," The Trustees proposed the creation of a special statewide committee devoted to the open space needs of the Commonwealth. In November, 1967, His Excellency Governor John A. Volpe signed Executive Order Number 55 creating the Governor's Advisory Commission on Open Space and Outdoor Recreation. Trustee members were Professor Charles W. Eliot, II, Robert F. Fitzgerald and John M. Woolsey, Jr. Director of The Trustees, Gordon Abbott, Jr. served as Secretary of the Commission.

## **Inventory of Landscape Areas**

The Commission's Report in 1969 proposed a new and comprehensive inventory of landscape and natural areas within the Commonwealth. This inventory idea was discussed with the New England Natural Resources Center and in 1971 with help from Federal funding, the Center launched a natural areas program expanded to every New England state. Coordinators of the project in Massachusetts were The Trustees of Reservations.

The Landscape and Natural Areas Project was designed to accomplish its ultimate goal of protection in three phases: Phase I, an inventory of significant areas and features throughout the Commonwealth; Phase II, the evaluation of these areas and the development of a comprehensive program for their protection; Phase III, the implementation of this program to preserve the special qualities and character of the Massachusetts landscape.

Phase I, the inventory, conducted by the Research Office of the Department of Landscape Architecture at Harvard University's School of Design, identified more than 2,000 natural areas. Of these, 461 were selected for inclusion in the initial inventory report. All inventory data was computerized on printouts, cards and computer maps of the Commonwealth.

Phase II, the development of a system to evaluate an area's natural or cultural qualities and to determine priorities and techniques for its protection was completed in 1972. It included a pilot study in southeastern Massachusetts.

Phase III, the implementation of the program, is still under way, a coordinated effort of all resource agencies and organizations in the Commonwealth concerned with open space.

## **Helping the Cause**

While Lawrence B. Fletcher was Executive Secretary of The Trustees (1929-1958), he spent a great amount of time in advocacy of legislation on Beacon Hill, and included in the annual reports of The Trustees records of "Properties secured in full or in part through activities of The Trustees", taking credit in part for the preservation of Breakheart Hill, Georgetown-Rowley, Nickerson, and Willowdale State Forest, Robinson State Park, Plum Island and Parker River Refuge, Moose Hill Sanctuary, Gore Place and many more significant places.

A substantial amount of our Director's time today is spent in counselling owners of "beautiful and historic places" as to the agencies, funds and procedures for the protection of such properties.

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## Trustworthy Care

The Trustees primary responsibility is, of course, for our “trustworthy” care of the “beautiful and historic places” already in our possession. Our Future Policy Committee in 1977 put first in its recommendations the acquisitions of inholdings and adjacencies to insure the adequacy of protection of The Trustees’ reservations. Today, the need for parks, open spaces and historic preservation is greater than ever before in our history. We must rally concerned citizens as well as the public and private agencies of Massachusetts to assess the problems we face and to join in solving them. Following the precedents and procedures used in 1890, in 1924 and in 1967, I now urge The Trustees to call a statewide conference of all our cooperating societies to address these problems.

## The Families of The Trustees

Birthdays bring families together, to restate and reinforce mutual concerns, and to revel in accomplishments and memories. The family of The Trustees includes, of course, not just the members of the corporation but *all* the workers and contributors involved in our activities over the past ninety years.

As I have read through the annual report of The Trustees, I have been struck by the repetition of the same last names of participants in the “cause” (and wondered about all the “sisters, cousins, and aunts” with different names). The names of relatives and descendents of the original incorporators and early members of The Trustees include Ames, Eliot, Forbes, Hoar, Saltonstall, Shurtleff, Walcott and Wigglesworth, and from later Officers and activists — Bird, Channing, Greeley, Hemenway, Minot and Phillips. Cause for satisfaction for some of us.

But much more important is the constant enlargement of The Trustees’ family over the past 90 years and our commitment to involve ever larger numbers from all parts of the state and all kinds of backgrounds in the on-going work of the organization.

A toast to the past, present and future leaders and workers in the cause of The Trustees of Reservations — Happy Birthday!

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## Charles W. Eliot, II

First Field Secretary of The Trustees of Reservations and later Secretary, member of the Standing Committee and the Advisory Council, and in 1969 winner of its Conservation Award, Charles W. Eliot, II, has been associated with The Trustees of Reservations all his life. Like his great uncle, Charles Eliot, who founded the organization in 1891, Charles W. Eliot is also a landscape architect and city planner. He served as Director of the National Resources Planning Board, a part of the Executive Office of the President from 1933 to 1943. And he finished a long and distinguished career, which included a widely-respected private practice, as Professor of Landscape Architecture and City Regional Planning for 10 years at Harvard University’s Graduate School of Design. Today, besides providing invaluable professional assistance as a landscape architect and planner, he’s affectionately known as “the conscience of The Trustees of Reservations.” His historical perspective and constant dedication to the organization and the integrity of its purposes are an inspiration for all who work with him.



# Trustees\*

\*Membership in the Corporation prior to the elections held at the Annual Meeting, Friday, May 15, 1981.

## Term Expires 1981

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*Ipswich*  
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*Beverly*  
Henry K. Bramhall,  
*Dedham*  
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*Millbury*  
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Thomas Hale,  
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*Tyringham*  
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# Charter<sup>1</sup>

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**Section 2.** Said corporation may acquire and hold by grant, gift, devise, purchase, or otherwise, real estate such as it may deem worthy of preservation for the enjoyment of the public, but not exceeding one million dollars in value, and such other property, both real and personal, as may be necessary or proper to support or promote the objects of the corporation, but not exceeding in the aggregate the further sum of ten million dollars<sup>4</sup>.

**Section 3.** All personal property held by said corporation, and all lands which it may cause to be opened and kept open to the public, and all lands which it may acquire and hold with this object in view, shall be exempt from taxation, in the same manner and to the same extent as the property of literary, benevolent, charitable, and scientific institutions incorporated within this Commonwealth is now exempt by law; but no lands so acquired and held and not open to the public shall be so exempt from taxation for a longer period than two years. Said corporation shall never make any division or dividend of or from its property or income among its members.

**Section 4.** This act shall take effect upon its passage.

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<sup>1</sup>Originally enacted by The Massachusetts General Court, Chapter 352, Acts of 1891.

<sup>2</sup>The name **The Trustees of Public Reservations** was changed to **The Trustees of Reservations** by vote of the Corporation at its meeting on January 20, 1954. Name changed by Act of Legislature on February 4, 1954.

<sup>3</sup>In accordance with Section 10 of Chapter 180, Massachusetts General Laws, the provisions relating to conservation and preservation restrictions, etc. were added to the purposes of **The Trustees of Reservations** by vote of the Corporation at a special meeting on April 21, 1971.

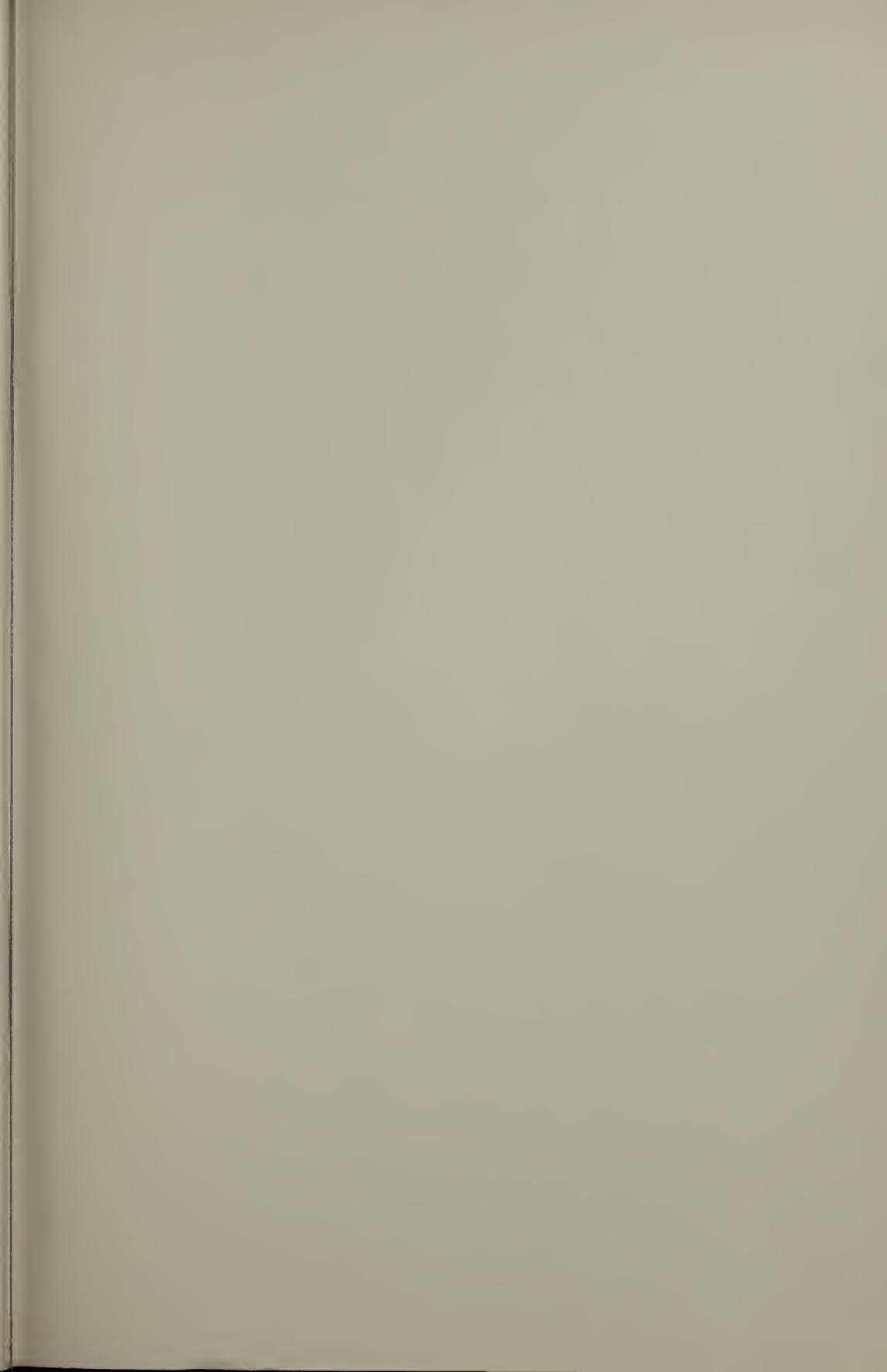
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